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Title: Synthesis and Amplification of Unstructured Nucleic Acids for Rapid Sequencing

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TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						+ \$290 \$ 0
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Response to Office Action is filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2004, rejecting claims 1-35 and 67-101 of the above-referenced patent application. The cited references are U.S. Patent Nos. 6,015,714 (Baldarelli et al.), 6,054,274 (Sampson et al.), and 5,871,918 (Thorp et al.). The following amendments and remarks remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on p. 2 of this paper. As indicated there, please amend claims 1, 4, and 67. Please cancel claims 36-66 and 102-143. No new matter is added by the amendments.

Remarks begin on p. 10 of this paper.

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